



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for
Children and Families

2201 Sixth Avenue, RX-70
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Dear All Head Start / Early Head Start Parents, Staff, Community Partners and Head Start Graduates:

I am cordially inviting you to a recognition event honoring Region 10's Head Start 40th Anniversary on Tuesday, November 1, 2005 from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Bell Harbor International Conference Center in Seattle, Washington.

Signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson on August 20, 1964; the Economic Opportunity Act initially authorized Project Head Start, which was launched as an eight-week summer program by the Office of Economic Opportunity. Since that time, the Head Start program has served more than 22 million children throughout the United States.

We will be recognizing a few of our Region's dedicated Head Start parents, staff, community partners and former Head Start children at our event. This festive evening will include an informal reception and recognition ceremony honoring 40 individuals who have "Delivered on the Dream" by insuring quality services for children and families. Representatives of Head Start programs from Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington are expected to attend.

We are seeking nominations for candidates to be recognized, that you feel exemplify our theme: "Delivering on the Dream". These nominations can be parents, grandparents; foster parents and guardians; Regional, Grantee, and T/TA staff; Head Start Graduates, and community members. Please return the Nomination Form to Rebecca Lucero in my office at 206-615-3898 or email rlucero@acf.hhs.gov.

We sincerely hope that you and your staff will be able to join us in commemorating this milestone for Head Start. Please complete the attached Registration Form and return it, along with your check, to Tracy Ulrich. Tracy's address and contact information are on the enclosed flyer, along with information on lodging and the conference center www.bellharbor.org.

We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Steve Henigson
Regional Administrator
Administration for Children and Families

Attachments: Registration Form and 40th Anniversary Flyer
Nomination Form for Honorees